

EN

E-002125/2025

Answer given by Mr Várhelyi
on behalf of the European Commission
(22.8.2025)

The Commission acknowledges the importance of access to healthcare across the EU. The Commission's political guidelines for 2024-2029¹ recognise the importance of the health sector in making our economy more resilient. The Commission calls for completing the European Health Union with diversified supply chains, more resilient health systems and stepping up work on preventive health. The Commission presented its proposal for the future Multiannual Financial Framework 2028-2034 on 16 July 2025, including these priorities among its objectives for Health.

The Europe's Beating Cancer Plan² works in synergy with the EU Cancer Mission. Cancer in children, adolescents and young adults (CAYA) has been systematically prioritised in all research topics supported under the EU Cancer Mission work programmes. As a result, around 20% of funding committed by the EU Cancer Mission over the period 2021-2024 targets this specific population. Addressing cancer in CAYAs is expected to remain an area of focus in future calls for proposals.

¹ https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/e6cd4328-673c-4e7a-8683-f63ffb2cf648_en?filename=Political%20Guidelines%202024-2029_EN.pdf.

² https://health.ec.europa.eu/publications/europes-beating-cancer-plan_en.